Amdt. dated July 18, 2008
Reply to Office Action of April 29, 2008

TANDON *et al.*
Appl. No. 10/736,181

Amendments to the Claims

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1.   (Original)   A method for reconciling financial transactions, comprising:

transmitting a standardized template for entering financial data to a plurality of remote terminals, the standardized template operable on a plurality of operating systems; receiving remote financial data from the plurality of remote terminals via the standardized template;

matching the remote financial data to master financial data;

identifying an un-reconciled amount based on said matching; and

generating a report including the un-reconciled amount.

2.   (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein at least two of the remote terminals use different operating systems.

3.   (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein at least two of the remote terminals use different accounting software applications.

4.   (Original)   The method of claim 1, wherein the master financial data is stored in a first format and at least one of the remote terminals stores remote financial data in a second format.

5.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 4, said standard template ~~for converting~~ <u>configured to convert</u> the remote financial data from the second format to the first format.

- 3 -

Amdt. dated July 18, 2008
Reply to Office Action of April 29, 2008

TANDON *et al.*
Appl. No. 10/736,181

6.   (Original)   The method of claim 1, further comprising:

updating a balance sheet based on the un-reconciled amount.

7.   (Original)   The method of claim 1, said remote financial data including a

transaction involving an account, and said master financial data including a balance due for

the account.

8.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, said standardized template ~~comprising~~

comprising:

~~a JAVA~~ an operating system and application independent format.

9.   (Original)   The method of claim 1, said receiving further comprising:

scheduling a time for said receiving with the remote terminals.

10.   (Original)   The method of claim 1, said standardized template further comprising:

a plurality of predefined templates for entering financial data.

11.   (Original)   The method of claim 1, further comprising:

transmitting, to the remote terminals, a plurality of functions for generating

customized templates for entering financial data.

12.   (Original)   The method of claim 1, further comprising:

maintaining identification data of users authorized to enter the remote financial data.

13.   (Currently Amended) A method for reconciling financial accounts, comprising:

receiving transaction data from a remote terminal <u>via a standardized template</u>, the

transaction data stored in a first format by the remote terminal and converted to a

standardized format by [[a]] <u>the</u> standardized template;

reconciling a financial account corresponding to the transaction using master financial

data stored in the standardized format;

identifying an un-reconciled amount corresponding to the transaction based on said

reconciling; and

reporting the un-reconciled amount to the remote terminal.

14.   (Original)   The method of claim 13, said receiving further comprising:

receiving the transaction data at a scheduled time.

15.   (Original)   The method of claim 13, further comprising:

receiving the transaction data during a time of the transaction.

16.   (Original)   A method for reconciling account and transaction data, comprising:

storing transaction data in a first format;

converting the stored transaction data to a second format using a standardized

template, the standardized template operable on a plurality of operating systems and operable

to retrieve stored transaction data from a plurality of accounting software applications;

transmitting the converted transaction data in the second format to a reconciliation

system; and

receiving a reconciliation report from the reconciliation system in response to said

transmitting.

17.   (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium encoded with processing

instructions for directing a processor to reconcile financial data, comprising:

a template component for providing a plurality of predefined templates for entering

transaction and account data;

a master component for storing master financial data for a plurality of accounts;

a capture component for receiving and storing account and transaction data via at least

one of a plurality of predefined templates from a plurality of remote terminals;

a matching component for matching the account and transaction data with the master

financial data;

a clearance component for identifying un-reconciled accounts and transactions based

on the account and transaction data; and

an account component for reporting the account and transaction data.

18.   (Original)   The computer-readable medium of claim 17, further comprising:

a schedule component for scheduling reconciliations with the remote terminals.

19.   (Canceled).

Amdt. dated July 18, 2008
Reply to Office Action of April 29, 2008

TANDON *et al.*
Appl. No. 10/736,181

20.   (Currently Amended) The computer-readable medium of claim [[19]]17, the template

component further comprising:

a plurality of functions for generating customized templates.

21.   (Original)   The computer-readable medium of claim 17, further comprising:

a user maintenance component for maintaining identification data of authorized users.

22.   (Original)   The computer-readable medium of claim 17, further comprising:

a review component for reviewing uploaded account and transaction data.

23.   (Original)   The computer-readable medium of claim 17, further comprising:

a login component for recognizing a user.

24.   (Original)   The computer-readable medium of claim 17, wherein each of said

components comprise programming instructions that may be implemented by a plurality of

computer operating systems.

25.   (Currently Amended) The computer-readable medium of claim 17, wherein each of

said component components comprise JAVA operating system and application independent

programming instructions.

Atty. Dkt. No. 2348.0030000